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Report on Rules for Publication of Court Of Appeal Opinions Expected This Fall

San Francisco—The Supreme Court Advisory Committee on Rules for Publication of Court of Appeal Opinions announced today it planned to submit its report to the court in Fall 2005.

The 13-member advisory committee was appointed in November 2004. Its charge is to review the current standards used by the Courts of Appeal and the Supreme Court in determining which Court of Appeal opinions should be certified for publication. The committee will make recommendations to the Supreme Court on what changes, if any, should be instituted to better ensure that appropriate cases are published.

The advisory committee was expected to submit its final report to the Supreme Court this month, but the court agreed to extend this deadline to allow adequate time for the committee's thorough review and analysis of material including comprehensive surveys of appellate court justices and attorneys with substantial appellate practices. Findings from these surveys will inform the committee's recommendations to the court.

For a roster of Advisory Committee members and more information on its charge, please visit the California Courts Web site at <http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/supreme/comm/>.

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